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From: Heller, Martha
To: Commissioner Adelstein
Date: Wed, Apr 16, 2003 11:26 AM
Subject: MB Docket No. 02-277

Commissioner Adelstein,

Please find attached a copy of the ex parte notice filed in the above-referenced proceeding in connection with your meeting with John Sturm of the Newspaper Association of America and Richard E. Wiley on April 14.

Please let me know if you have any questions about this

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From: blowhole@hawaiian.net
To: KathleenAbernathy
Date: Wed, Apr 16, 2003 12:11 PM
Subject: Docket No. 02-277: Support competition, diversity and localism

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 Correspondence Type: ☐ Complaint ☒ Inquiry
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 Responding Carrier(s):
 Supervisor Check: ☐ Yes ☒ No
 Activity Code: Direct
 Final Responsible Party:
 Copy of Response Sent to Consumer by Carrier? ☐ Yes ☒ No
 Mediation with Carrier/Complainant? ☐ Yes ☒ No
 Referral Information:
 Date Referred: ☐ Yes ☒ No
 Slamming Referral:
 Referred To:
 Deferral Information:
 Date Deferred:
 Date Undeferred:
 Extension Information:
 Extension Requested: ☐ Yes ☒ No
 Extension Granted: ☐ Yes ☒ No
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city: Brea		state: CA	
		zip: 92821	

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From: Bettie Graves
To: Mike Powell, Kathleen Abernathy, Michael Copps, KM KJMWEB, Commissioner
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Date: Wed, Apr 16, 2003 7:21 PM
Subject: FCC VOTE

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